DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE HOME AND HOMEOWNERSHIP SECTION HOME Program

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FOR IMMEDIATE POSTING

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR COMMENT

Draft Amendment of the State of California's Consolidated Plan's HOME Program Rating Criteria

The State of California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is soliciting public review and comment on a Draft Amendment of the FY 2006/07 Annual Action Plan Update of the State Consolidated Plan 2005-2010. The Draft Amendment affects only selected rating criteria of the Home Investment Partnerships Program, (HOME).

Summary of Changes:

The proposed amendment to the HOME Program FY 2006-07 Annual Action Plan Update of the 2005-2010 State Consolidated Plan is as follows:

The HOME Program will add a State Objective to the 2006-07 Draft Annual Action Plan Update permitting HOME to award up to 50 points to applications submitted under the 2006 HOME NOFA that provide deeper affordability.

The public review period for the proposed amendment is 30 calendar days, and begins **April 7, 2006.** HCD must receive all comments by 5:00 pm on **May 8, 2006.**

Amend the 2006-07 Draft Annual Action Plan Update as follows:

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Immediately following the paragraph which begins with the phrase "Housing Element Compliance", a new paragraph is added as follows:

State Objectives

HOME may award up to 50 points to applications submitted under its 2006 NOFA that provide deeper affordability.

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The FY 2006-07 Draft Annual Action Plan Update is available for public review on HCD's web site (http://www.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/rep/fed/); and in Sacramento at HCD's Housing Resource Center in Room 430; at planning departments of counties with at least one non-entitlement jurisdiction, and the following libraries:

Library	Phone Number
California State Library, Government Publications (Sacramento)	(916) 654-0069
California State University, Meriam Library (Chico)	(530) 898-4003
California State University, Library-Government (Long Beach)	(213) 985-5518
Free Library, Government Publications (Fresno County)	(559) 488-3195
Public Library, Serials Division (Los Angeles)	(213) 612-3200
Public Library (Oakland)	(510) 238-3138
Public Library, Science and Industry Department (San Diego)	(619) 236-5813
Public Library, Government Documents Department (San Francisco)	(415) 557-4488
Stanford University Libraries, Green Library, Government Documents	(415) 723-2727
University of California, Government Documents Library (Berkeley)	(510) 642-1472
University of California, Shields Library, Government Documents (Davis)	(530) 752-1624
University of California, University Research Library (Los Angeles)	(310) 825-3135
University of California, Government Documents (San Diego/La Jolla)	(619) 534-3336
University of California, Library, Government Publications (Santa Barbara	a) (805) 893-2863

A limited number of copies of this document are also available to entities or individuals unable to access one of the above sources. Written comments can be submitted via facsimile (916-327-2643), electronic mail (jseeger@hcd.ca.gov), or mailed to the following address:

Department of Housing and Community Development, HPD P.O. Box 952053
Sacramento, California 94252-2053
Attention: Linda Wheaton

In addition, public hearings will be held at the following locations:

Sacramento	HCD 1800 Third Street, Room 170 Sacramento, CA 95814	April 18 th (Tuesday) 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	(916) 445-4728
Pico Rivera*	Pico Park 9528 Beverly Blvd Pico Rivera, CA 90660	April 25th (Tuesday) 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	(916) 322-0918
Visalia*	Visalia Convention Center 303 E. Acequia Avenue Visalia, CA 92391	April 27 th (Thursday) 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	(916) 322-0918

^{*} Hearing held in conjunction with scheduled HOME Program training

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If you have any questions, would like addresses or phone numbers for the county planning departments, or are in need of translators or other special services, please contact HCD at (916) 445-4728.

This proposal has been determined to be EXEMPT from CEQA (Public Resources Code Section 21080.10(b)) and CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED from NEPA (Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations 50.20(o) (2)).